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February 9, 2006

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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: HEARING APPLICATION
Alternate Unit Well
U HOSS SUL and HOSS 7300' RA SUA
West Arcadia Field
Bienville Parish, Louisiana
Our File No. 360135.35

Dear Sir:

On behalf of O'BRIEN ENERGY COMPANY, application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Upper Hosston Formation and the Hosston 7300' Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize the O'Brien Energy Company -Cloyd et al No. 1 Alt. Well, at the location shown on the unit plats attached hereto, and to designate said well as an alternate unit well for U HOSS SUL and HOSS 7300' RA SUA, in exception to the well spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 692, effective April 1, 1965 and Order No. 692-D, effective January 31, 1985.
2. To explicitly find that the proposed alternate unit well is necessary to drain a portion of the Upper Hosston Formation and the Hosston 7300' Sand in the West Arcadia Field, underlying U HOSS SUL and HOSS 7300' RA SUA, respectively, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well in such units.
3. To provide that the unit allowable for U HOSS SUL and HOSS 7300' RA SUA, respectively, may be produced from either the unit or substitute unit well, the alternate unit wells, or both, at the operator's discretion.

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4. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Upper Hosston Formation in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, is fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692, effective April 1, 1965, and was further defined in Order No. 692-A-4, effective May 1, 1981.

The Hosston 7300 Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, is fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692-D, effective January 31, 1985.

The Rules of Procedure of the Commissioner of Conservation pertaining to the Pre-Application Notice requirements are not applicable to the hearing requested herein, which requires legal notice of only ten (10) days.

Pertinent data concerning the intended application will be made available for inspection at the offices of O'Brien Energy Company, 5925 Line Avenue, Suite 7, Shreveport, Louisiana 71106. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Alan Brittain at (318) 865-8568 during normal business hours or write Mr. Brittain at the above address, in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

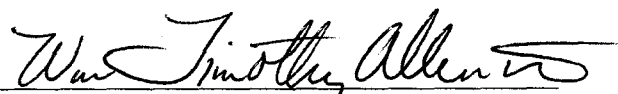
A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plats, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

A check in the amount of \$1,510.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list.

Very truly yours,

BLANCHARD, WALKER, O'QUIN & ROBERTS

By: 
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Enclosures

- cc: Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport
District Manager, Office of Conservation
(w/enclosures)
- cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plats only)

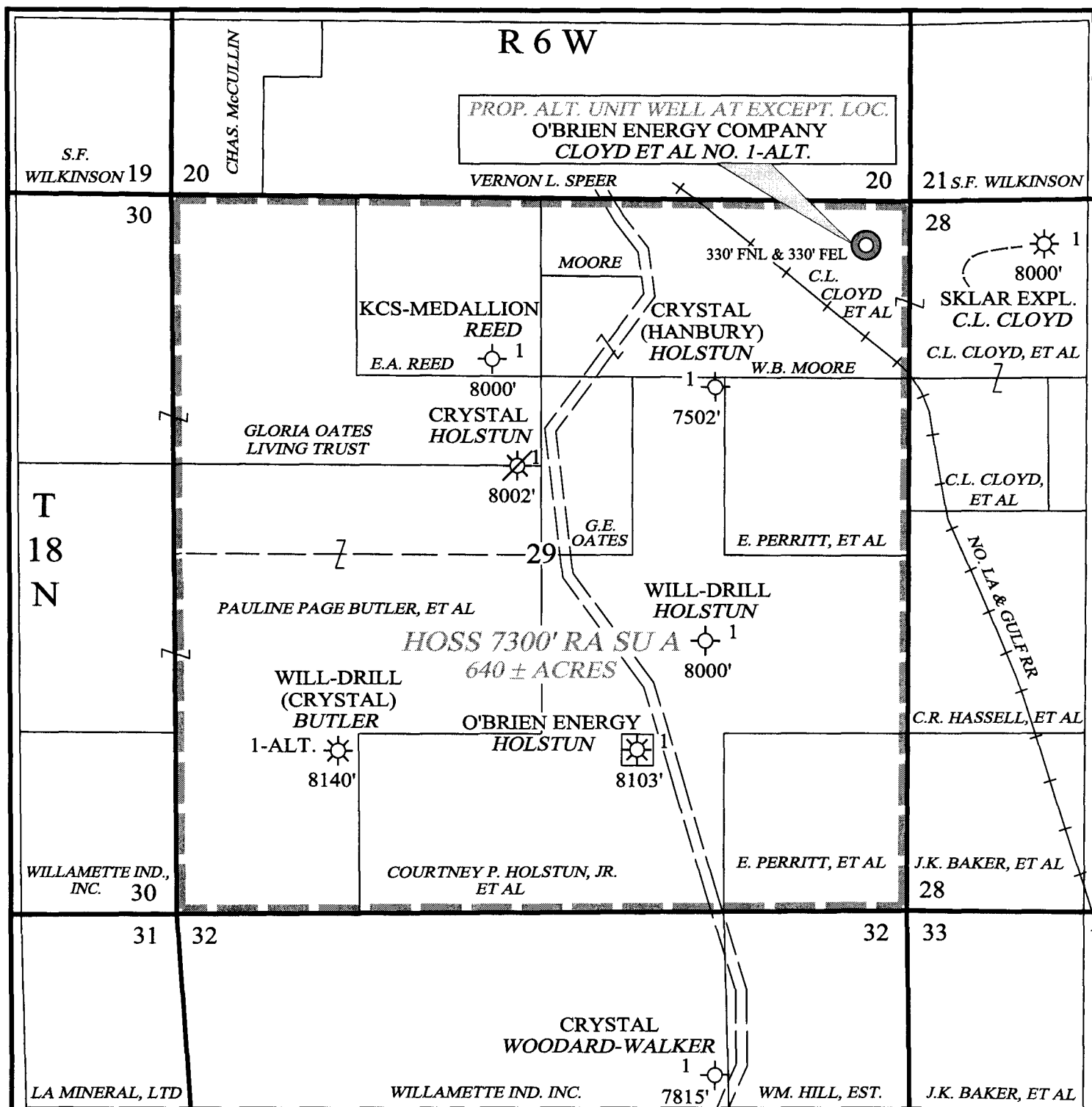


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SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

WEST ARCADIA FIELD

BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL AT EXCEPTIONAL LOCATION
FOR HOSSTON 7300' RESERVOIR A SAND UNIT A

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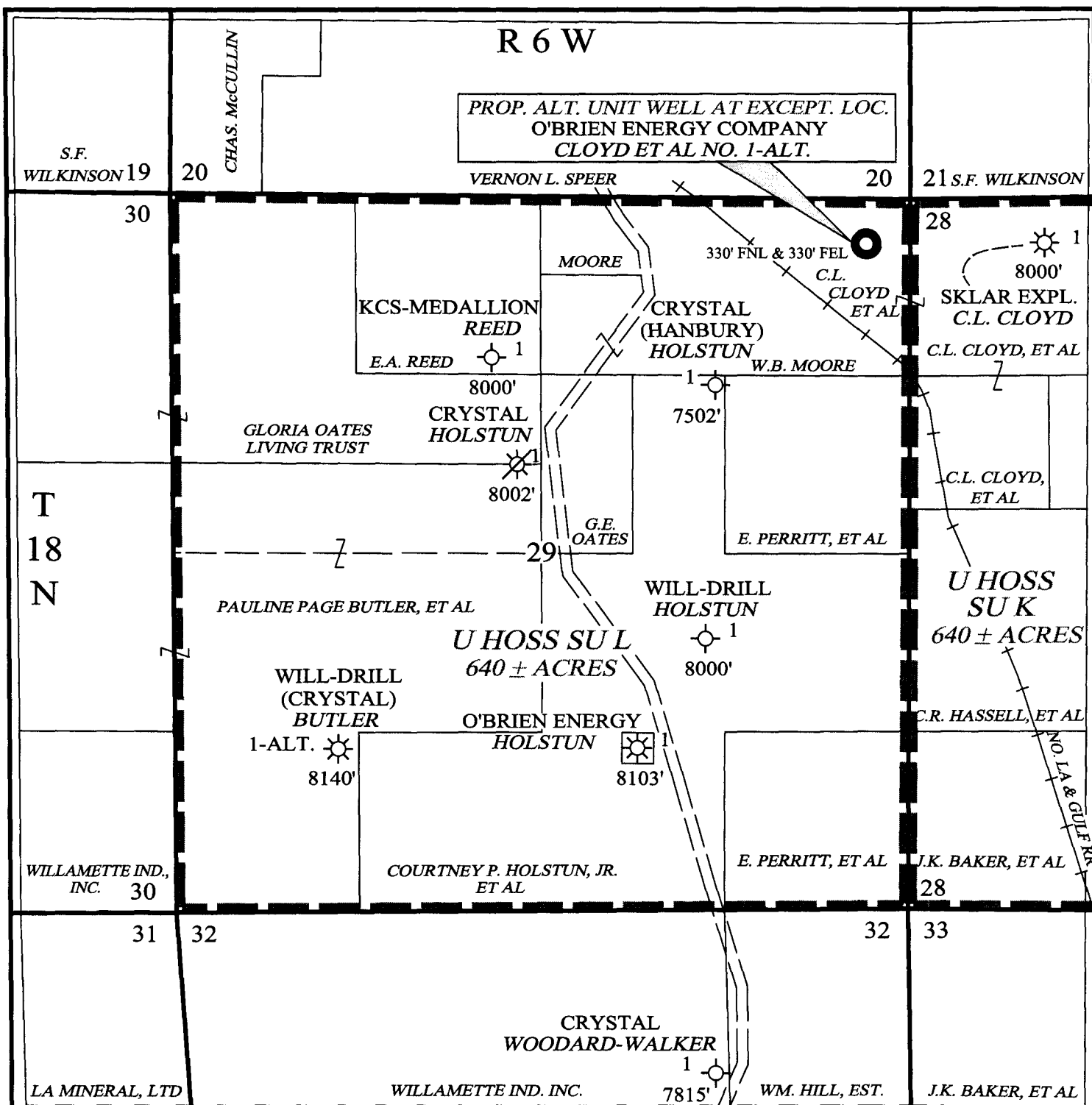


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**PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL AT EXCEPTIONAL LOCATION
FOR UPPER HOSSTON SAND UNIT L**

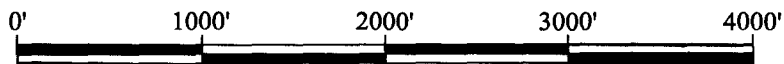


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